

Study of School-Level Expenditures – due February 10, 2010

The Study of School Level Expenditures (SSLE) report is required of all districts except the two that are not eligible for Title I funds. The report is to collect the **State and Local** expenditures from 2008-09 by building for personnel (required) and non-personnel (optional). The new due date is February 10, 2010. The Study of School Level Expenditures report is in the Consolidated Data Collections found in the NDE Portal under the Data Collections tab. **As of this morning, 88 districts still had not submitted their data or their data was not approved. All reports must be approved by the Authorized Representative. The “approve” button is part of the SSLE report.**

Annual Data Conference

New Dates set for NDE Data Conference: Due to some major scheduling conflicts, we are changing the dates of the 2010 Data Conference from May 3-4 to May 17-18. The conference will begin on Monday, May 17 at 1:00 PM with a presentation by Commissioner Breed. The conference will wrap up mid afternoon on Tuesday May 18. We are now accepting registrations on the conference website at <http://nedatapartnership.org>. A preliminary agenda will be posted to the conference website in early March.

Suspension and Expulsion Incidents Report

Change in Reporting Suspensions and Expulsions: The reporting of student suspension and expulsion incidents will be expanded for the 2009-10 school year to meet federal reporting requirements. The expanded format (see attached) will be part of the Consolidated Data Collection and will include grade level and type of incident for each school. The collection window will be open between May 15 through June 30, 2010.

For the 2009-2010 school year, Part 3.1 of the Suspension and Expulsion Incidents data collection will be expanded to collect student suspension and expulsion incident counts for each school and grade level. Incidents will be collected separately by Suspension and Expulsion. The detailed set of instructions for this collection can be viewed at the following website:

http://cdc.nde.state.ne.us/SUSEXP/Instructions/Discipline_Instructions_w_examples_form.pdf.

Please contact the NDE Helpdesk at 888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov if you have any questions. The collection will appear similar to the part of the table shown below:

Grade	Removal Type	Violent Incident without Physical Injury	Violent Incident with Physical Injury	Weapons Possession	Alcohol-Related Incidents	Illicit Drug-Related Incidents	Other
KG	Suspensions						
	Expulsions						
1	Suspensions						
	Expulsions						

Nebraska Student and Staff Record System (NSSRS)

Several Updates to the NSSRS Validation Website

On February 9th you will notice several changes to the NSSRS Validation website including:

- 1) The release of numerous new validation errors. The majority of these errors address issues found within the Special Education Snapshot. New errors in Staff, Program Fact, Post School Survey and Student have also been activated. What's more, you will now see a new message display on the validation home page if there are any errors or warnings for that current year.
- 2) A new "Enrollment Lookup by ID" report has been added to the main page. This report will display the complete, statewide NSSRS enrollment history by NDE Student ID. This tool may be useful in locating students who are "not enrolled; eligible to return".
- 3) Verification Reports page will include a new "Contracted Out" report. Additionally, a new "Report Format Choice" feature will allow users to download more than 60% of their reports in Excel.

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Free and Reduced-price Lunch Data

After February 9th, if you have a need to review student-level Free and Reduced-price Lunch data on the NSSRS Validation website, you will need to contact your District Administrator to obtain the proper NDE Portal activation code. It is important to note that the previous activation code will need to be removed in order for the new activation code to take effect. Please contact the NDE Helpdesk at 888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov if you have any questions.

Reminders:

Curriculum "How To" Video Now Available

A new video demonstrates how to use the NDE Curriculum Reporting System for 2009-2010 reporting.